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Activity Summary  
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## **Clinical Advisory Committee Background and Objectives**

The establishment and requirements of the Iowa Medicaid Enterprise (IME) Clinical Advisory Committee (CAC) are contained in House File 841 and CAC initiated in 2006. The purpose of the CAC is to increase the efficiency, quality and effectiveness of the Medicaid healthcare system. The CAC provides a process for physician and other health care provider contributions to promote quality care, member safety, and fiscal responsibility discussion of Medicaid benefits and healthcare services.

The CAC is charged with recommending clinically appropriate healthcare utilization management and coverage decision to the Department of Human Services (DHS) for the Iowa Medicaid program. The annual report summarizing the recommendations made by the CAC and those adopted by rule is submitted to DHS.

The CAC performs:

- Technology and therapeutics review - advanced therapy and new technology
- Administrative support - review and recommendations regarding policy issues
- Criteria review with recommendations for changes
- Member and provider education and information - brochures, letters, and website

The CAC meetings are subject to the open committee rules in Chapter 21 of the Iowa Code. The meetings are publicly announced on the DHS website at a minimum of 10 days prior to the scheduled time. All meeting agendas, minutes, summary of the CAC responsibilities, CAC questions and answers are posted on the website.

Appointments are for three years and each member may be reappointed for one additional three-year term.

## Committee Members

### **Daniel Wright, DO**

Dr. Wright graduated from the University of Osteopathic Medicine and Health Services in Des Moines, Iowa in 1995. He completed his residency at Lutheran General Children's Hospital in Park Ridge, Illinois in 1996 and Blank Children's Hospital in Des Moines, Iowa in 1998. Dr. Wright currently practices pediatrics with the Peoples Community Health Clinic in Waterloo, Iowa.

### **Nicholas Galioto, MD**

Dr. Galioto graduated from Creighton University School of Medicine in Omaha, Nebraska in 1988. He completed his family practice residency at Broadlawns Medical Center in Des Moines, Iowa in 1991. He received his Masters of Medical Education from the University of Iowa in Iowa City, Iowa in 2011. Dr. Galioto currently practices at Broadlawns Medical Center in Des Moines, Iowa in family practice.

### **Sherry Buske, NP-C, MSHA, BSN, CDE**

Ms. Buske completed her RN training at St. Luke's School of Nursing in Cedar Rapids, Iowa in 1975. She obtained her BSN from Mercy College of Health Sciences In Des Moines, Iowa in 1999. She obtained her Masters in Health Service Administration from the University of St. Francis in Joliet, Illinois in 2003 and her nurse practitioner-consultant in family practice from Allen College in Waterloo, Iowa in 2009. Ms. Buske is a certified diabetes nurse educator and is currently a family nurse practitioner at the Community Health Center in Dayton, Iowa.

### **Andrea Silvers, MD**

Dr. Silvers graduated from the University of Iowa College of Medicine in Iowa City, Iowa in 1999. She completed her residency in family practice at Iowa Lutheran Hospital in Des Moines, Iowa in 2006. Dr. Silvers currently practices at Norwalk Family Physicians in Norwalk, Iowa in family practice.

### **Kathleen Lange, MD**

Dr. Lange graduated from the University of Iowa College of Medicine in Iowa City, Iowa in 1992. She completed her residency at Iowa Lutheran Hospital in Des Moines, Iowa in 1997. She actively participates in several professional affiliations and memberships. Dr. Lange currently practices at Chariton Valley Medical Center in Centerville, Iowa in family practice.

### **Dennis Zachary, MD**

Dr. Zachary graduated from the Mayo Medical School in Rochester, Minnesota in 1984. He completed his post-graduate training in family practice at North Memorial Branch at the University of Minnesota in 1987. He is board-certified in family practice, geriatric medicine and sports medicine. He actively participates in several professional affiliations and memberships. He has been the recipient of numerous military honors. Dr. Zachary currently practices at Mercy South Medical Clinic in Des Moines, Iowa in family practice.

**Stephen R. Mandler DO**

Dr. Mandler is a board certified Adult, Child, and Adolescent psychiatrist. He did his Internship at Oregon Health and Sciences University, and Residency and Fellowship at The Menninger Clinic. He is currently the Chief Medical Officer at Orchard Place. Orchard Place annually serves more than 10,000 children across Iowa from birth to age 22 through a wide variety of mental health services for children and young adults. Previously he served as Regional Medical Officer Psychiatrist, U.S. Department of State, Foreign Service and worked in Afghanistan, Mexico, and West Africa. He has served on the faculty of Oregon Health Sciences University and Portland State University's Graduate Program of Infant/Toddler Mental Health.

**Alexandra K. Hubbell, DO**

Dr. Hubbell graduated from Des Moines University in 2007 and completed her residency at Iowa Lutheran Family Medicine Program in Des Moines, Iowa in 2013. Dr. Hubbell currently practices as one of the faculty attendings at the Iowa Lutheran Family Medicine Residency.

**Clarice Blanchard PA-C, MMS**

Clarice Blanchard graduated from Luther College in Decorah, Iowa with a Bachelor of Arts in Biology and Psychology in 1996. She then received her physician assistant training at St. Louis University in St. Louis, Missouri, graduating in 1999. Clarice has practiced in family and emergency medicine at Madison County Healthcare System in Winterset, Iowa since 2001.

The Medicaid Health Plans send clinical representation, typically Medical Directors, to the quarterly CAC meetings. The Health Plan Medical Directors are not voting members of the CAC; however, they contribute to clinical criteria discussions to ensure clinical criteria are implemented consistently.

The chair of the CAC may only vote in the situation that the committee has a tie vote.

## Vision

IME Medical Services is responsible for the administration of the CAC. The IME medical director chairs the CAC. The CAC evaluates the clinical aspects of DHS coverage policy and medical management strategies to maximize both quality healthcare and cost effectiveness. The CAC provides recommendations in the early stages of policy development and change, through interactions with the policy unit, which enhances buy-in from the Medicaid provider networks.

## Clinical Topics Reviewed

Date	Project	Outcome
April 2019	Crysvita (Burosumab)	Developed criteria under Prior Authorization
August 2019	Zolgensma (Onasemnogene abeparvovec-xioi) KDM CT	Developed criteria under Prior Authorization

## Review of Medical Services Criteria

Another function of the CAC is to provide the Medicaid agency with a timely scheduled review of the criteria utilized for medical review. While reviewing criteria the CAC takes into consideration the standards of practice, the effect of treatment on quality of life, functional status, and other relevant aspects of the health of our Medicaid members.

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Action Approved</b>
21-gene RT-PCR Assay (Oncotype DX)	9/9/19
Ado-trastuzumab emutansine (Kadcyla)	9/9/19
Augmentative Communication Systems	3/13/18
Automated Medication Dispenser	3/13/18
Avelumab (Bavencio)	11/27/17
Back-up Ventilators	9/9/19
Bariatric Surgery	3/13/18
Blepharoplasty	6/4/18
Botulinum Toxins	3/21/18
Ceiling Track Lifts and/or Electric Patient Lifts	11/22/17
Cerliponase alfa (Brineura)	11/27/17
Chest CTA & CT for Pulmonary Emboli	3/13/18
Children's Mental Health Waiver Level of Care	10/18/2019
Cochlear Implant	11/27/17
Colonography	11/22/17
Consumer Directed Attendant Care (CDAC)	5/5/17
Continuous Glucose Monitoring	3/13/18
Crysvita (Burosumab)	4/16/19
Durvalumab (Imfinzi)	11/27/17
Edaravone (Radicava)	11/27/17
Enteral Products – Supplies	3/13/18
Environmental Modification and Adaptive Devices	3/13/18
Eteplirsen	7/3/17

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Action Approved</b>
Fecal Microbiota Transplantation	6/21/19
Fluocinolone Acetate Intravitreal Implant (Iluvien & Retisert)	8/16/17
Gait Trainer Stander	7/3/17
Genetic Testing	5/5/17
Genetic Testing for Cancer (BRCA I-II, BART, et. al.)	11/22/17
Habilitation Level of Care	9/5/17
Hemangioma Removal	11/27/17
High Frequency Chest Wall Oscillation	2/6/17
Home-Vehicle Modification	11/22/17
Idursulfase (Elaprase)	8/16/17
Imaging for Incidental Lesions	8/16/17
Laser Linear Accelerator Based Stereotactic Radiosurgery	8/16/17
Memantine (Namenda) for ASD	8/16/17
Mobility Related Device Purchase	11/22/17
Natalizumab (Tysabri)	8/16/17
Negative Pressure Wound Therapy (NPWT)	6/4/18
Nipple Tattooing	11/22/17
Non-Elastic Compression Devices	6/4/18
Non-Invasive Prenatal Testing for Aneuploidy Using Cell Free DNA (cfDNA)	11/22/17
Non-Preferred Diabetic Supplies	3/13/18
Nursing Facility Level of Care	7/31/15
Nusinersen (Spinraza)	8/4/19
Ocrelizumab (Ocrevus)	11/27/17
Oritavancin (Orbactiv)	8/16/17
Panniculectomy	11/22/17
Pediatric Skilled Level of Care	11/22/17
Pegloticase (Krystexxa)	3/21/18
Pembrolizumab (Keytruda)	3/21/18



<b>Activity</b>	<b>Approved Action</b>
Percussors	8/16/17
Personal Care Services for Children	5/23/18
Power Seat Elevation for Power Wheelchairs	3/21/18
Power Wheelchair Attendant Controls	11/22/17
Prevocational Services	11/22/17
Private Duty Nursing for Children	5/23/18
Prophylactic Mastectomy	8/16/17
Reduction Mammoplasty/Mastopexy	8/16/17
Safety Beds	5/5/17
Septoplasty Rhinoplasty	6/4/18
Shower/Commode Chair	7/3/17
Skilled Level of Care	5/23/18
Strollers & Wheelchairs for Safety	8/16/17
Tisagenlecleucel (Kymriah)	11/27/17
Vagus Nerve Stimulator	7/3/17
Varicose Vein Treatment	5/23/18
Visual Aids Therapy	11/22/17
Vitamin, Mineral, Amino Acid Supplements	6/4/18
Vivitrol (Extended release injection Naltrexone)	11/27/17
Zolgensma (Onasemnogene abeparvovec-xioi) KDM CT	8/22/19

Medical Services recruits specialists throughout Iowa to review the following criteria annually:

- Intermediate Care Facility/Intellectual Disability (ICF/ID) Level of Care
- Children's Mental Health Waiver (CMH) Level of Care
- Pre-Procedure, Bone Marrow and/or Peripheral Blood Stem Cell Transplant
- Pre-Procedure, Heart Transplant
- Pre-Procedure, Liver Transplant
- Pre-Procedure, Lung Transplant
- Pre-Procedure, Pancreas Transplant
- Prior Authorization, Endodontic Procedures
- Prior Authorization, Orthodontic Procedures
- Prior Authorization, Periodontic Procedures